SECTION I
A MESSAGE FROM THE ARCHBISHOP

Hurricane Sally Relief
Please remember in prayer those affected by Hurricane Sally.
Monetary gifts can be given through the parish or by sending a donation to:

Archdiocese of New Orleans
Hurricane Sally
7887 Walmsley Ave.
New Orleans, LA  70125

Announcements

- We will offer a special Mass for Victims and Survivors of Violence on Sunday October 25, 2020 at 11:00 AM at St. Louis Cathedral. Please see attached letter from the Office of Marriage and Family Life regarding instructions.

- See enclosed the information on Faithful Citizenship in preparation for the November election on page 3. Please make this available to your people.

- The Presbyteral Council will meet Thursday October 1, 2020, at Notre Dame Seminary at 10:00 AM.

- Please include in the Prayers of the Faithful:
  * Please include in the Prayers of the Faithful for the duration of the hurricane season: “That through the intercession of Our Lady of Prompt Succor we will be spared damage to life and property during the hurricane season.”
  * For all people who have been affected by Hurricane Sally, that they will persevere in the rebuilding of their homes and lives.
Impelled by Christ’s call and inspired by the Holy Spirit through the work of the Ninth General Synod, the ministries of the Archdiocese of New Orleans, in union with the Archbishop and with one another, serve the people of the parishes, schools and organizations of the archdiocese in enabling them to encounter Jesus and to witness with joy.

Mark Your Calendars

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SECTION II
ACTION REQUESTED

Pastors and parish secretaries are asked to please ensure response and follow-up on the items below:

Workshops for New Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion

Basic workshops for new Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion will be presented this Fall by the Office of Worship. Due to COVID restrictions, workshops will be conducted on a virtual platform with a limit of 15 participants per session. Attendance at this workshop is required before a person can be delegated by the Archbishop to serve in this ministry. The complete schedule and more information can be found on the Office of Worship website at https://nolacatholic.org/basic-workshops-for-emhc. Participants are to be pre-registered by their parish before attending. If you have any questions, please contact the Office of Worship at 504-861-6300 or worship@arch-no.org.

Please place the attached letter about Catechetical Sunday from Archbishop Aymond in your bulletin the weekend of September 19-20, 2020. You may download the letter here in English and here Spanish.

Evening of Healing - Experience Freedom from Fear, Worry & Anxiety

Experience freedom from fear, worry, and anxiety by calling to mind God’s great love and care for us through acknowledgement, meditative song and exhortation of God’s Word. Presented by Deacon Larry & Andi Oney. Music by Ryan Foulon and Garrett & Shannon Fried. Wednesday, September 30, 2020 at 7 PM – 8 PM at Divine Mercy Parish. Click here to see flyer.
"We need to participate for the common good. Sometimes we hear: a good Catholic is not interested in politics. This is not true: good Catholics immerse themselves in politics by offering the best of themselves so that the leader can govern." - Pope Francis, 9/16/13

As important local, state, and national elections approach, the Archdiocese of New Orleans is launching an informational campaign to educate Catholics on their responsibility to exercise their right to vote with a properly formed conscience. Using resources based on the US Bishops’ document “Forming Consciences for Faithful Citizenship” the archdiocese will share through the Clarion Herald and digital communications resources about the roles and responsibilities of Catholic clergy, religious, and laity in public life, how to properly form one’s conscience, and how to have civil dialogue in political debate. For the latest information visit https://nolacatholic.org/ or follow the Roman Catholic Archdiocese of New Orleans on Facebook.

For parishes, schools, and ministries looking for guidance about acceptable activity, please see the attached memo and view the Louisiana Conference of Catholic Bishop’s Public Policy Guide found online here and the US Conference of Catholic Bishop’s “Do’s and Don’ts Guidelines for Election Season” found online here.

**Faithful Citizenship Resources for Parishes**

The USCCB has prepared useful summaries of the important points of *Forming Consciences for Faithful Citizenship*. Parishes are encouraged to use these summaries as bulletin inserts and/or links on parish websites and social media sometime before the local, state, and national elections. The summary is in two parts and available in English and in Spanish.

The Challenge of Forming Consciences for Faithful Citizenship – Part 1 (English) (Spanish)
The Challenge of Forming Consciences for Faithful Citizenship – Part 11 (English) (Spanish)

For parishes that would like to do more, the USCCB Office of Justice and Peace has created a series of small group sessions for adults that offer reflection on *Forming Consciences for Faithful Citizenship* and may be used for a wide range of adult education and faith formation programs. These can be used in ongoing small groups that meet regularly to pray together, read Scripture, share faith and discuss what is happening in their lives and in the world around them or as part of a special series of meetings. If your parish is interested in using this series, please find the information online by clicking here.

**SECTION III**
**PARISH PUBLICITY**

Announcements below are made available for publicizing to parishioners via placement in parish bulletins, on parish websites and social media, or other appropriate means

**Pope Francis' September Prayer Intention**

Respect for the Planet’s Resources: “We pray that the planet’s resources will not be plundered, but shared in a just and respectful manner.”
CATHOLIC COMMUNICATIONS CAMPAIGN

The Catholic Communications Campaign is set for September 20-21, 2020, in the Archdiocese of New Orleans. This collection supports the evangelizing work of the church throughout the world by supporting media: newspapers, television, radio and digital or online media. Fifty percent of the funds collected in the Archdiocese of New Orleans remain here to support Catholic new media efforts and the Clarion Herald. To learn more about the national program visit www.usccb.org/ccc and locally visit http://nolacatholic.org.

LOVE LIFE AMENDMENT OF THE LOUISIANA CONSTITUTION

The Louisiana Bishops Support the LOVE LIFE AMENDMENT TO THE LOUISIANA CONSTITUTION. Louisiana citizens will be able to affirmatively state that they “Love Life” on November 3—the same day as the United States presidential election, Louisiana citizens Click here to read the statement from the Louisiana Conference of Catholic Bishops.

68th ANNUAL RED MASS OCTOBER 5, 2020

The Saint Thomas More Catholic Lawyers Association, in conjunction with the Archdiocese of New Orleans, announce the celebration of the 68th Annual Red Mass, invoking the Holy Spirit upon the bench and bar of the State of Louisiana, on Monday, October 5, 2020 at 9:30 a.m. at St. Louis Cathedral in New Orleans. Most Reverend Gregory M. Aymond, Archbishop of New Orleans, will be the principal celebrant. Reverend Mike Ketttenring, a priest of the Archdiocese of New Orleans, will be the homilist. Members of the bench and bar of the State of Louisiana, as well as the public, are invited to attend. Masks are required and social distancing will be observed in the Cathedral.

CATHOLIC SOCIAL TEACHING 101

The year 2020 has strained the faith of even the most devout Catholics! To get our bearing, it can be helpful to reflect upon the deep tradition of our faith and how it continues to speak to the needs of our world today. Please consider joining Catholic Charities Office of Justice and Peace for any one, or all of the sessions about critical issues of our day. See link to flyer for dates and times.

ARCHDIOCESAN NATURAL FAMILY PLANNING CLASSES

With professional instruction, Natural Family Planning has proven itself to be safe, effective, and a moral way for couples to plan their families. It is a method which respects the meaning of human sexuality as God created it and thus marital love is enhanced and strengthened.

The Office of Marriage and Family Life is offering a class series in the SymptoPro™ Method of Natural Family Planning. This series will be conducted by Kelly Donahue of the Archdiocese of New Orleans. This is a virtual class series utilizing Zoom. The dates of the class series are September 19, October 3 and October 31, 2020. The Zoom class hours are 1:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m. The class on October 31, 2020 will be in-person rather than via Zoom. The cost is $105.00 and includes all classes and materials.

Preregistration is required. Register online https://nolacatholicfla.regfox.com/sympto-thermal-nfp-course.
OFFICE OF MARRIAGE AND FAMILY LIFE MARRIAGE PREPARATION

The Office of Marriage and Family Life is again offering programs for Marriage Preparation with limited enrollment to allow for appropriate social distancing. Upcoming dates for the Engaged Encounter, Days for the Engaged, and the Special Marriage programs can be found [at this link](https://example.com). Descriptions of the various programs as well as online registration links can be found [here](https://example.com).

As always, couples are encouraged to take advantage of parish-based mentor couple programs whenever available. [Online marriage Preparation](https://example.com) is also available for those who are separated by distance or are otherwise unable to take advantage of an in-person marriage preparation program. Please contact the Office of

“Forming Consciences for Faithful Citizenship”

Talks Rescheduled at St. Francis Xavier Church – Sept 16

Important national, state and local elections are coming up this fall. To help Catholics understand their political responsibility in voting, St. Francis Xavier Catholic Church, 444 Metairie Rd., Metairie, LA, will host two talks on the U.S. Bishops’ document, “Forming Consciences for Faithful Citizenship.” *(NOTE: The talks and times were revamped after being postponed due to the hurricane threat.)* Youth Minister and Theologian Ron Courtade will give the presentations in St. Francis Church at 7 pm on Wednesday, September 16. Ron Courtade has a Masters of Theology degree from Notre Dame Seminary and has served in the Archdiocese as a Director of Religious Education and High School Religion Teacher. Come be informed on key principles for consideration in preparing to vote.

SECTION IV

NEWS AROUND THE ARCHDIOCESE

Following is news and information of general interest to the local Church

#iGiveCatholic Training: Fundraising in Difficult Times

Join us! The Catholic Community Foundation is hosting “Fundraising in Difficult Times,” a webinar for parishes, schools, and nonprofit ministries of the Archdiocese of New Orleans participating in the #iGiveCatholic Giving Day. This virtual event will take place on **Friday, September 18**, at **10:30 a.m.** Registration is required. [Click here to register](https://example.com). Questions about the training or the giving day? Please contact Callie Kamath at [ckamath@ccfnola.org](mailto:ckamath@ccfnola.org) or 504.527.5788.
#iGiveCatholic 2020 Online Registration is OPEN!
Parishes, schools, and nonprofit ministries of the Archdiocese of New Orleans are invited to participate in the sixth annual #iGiveCatholic Giving Day, which takes place on #GivingTuesday, December 1, 2020. New this year, organizations must register and apply to participate to have a page on the #iGiveCatholic website. Registration closes **October 30.** Returning organizations, or those that have participated in the giving day before, [click here for step-by-step registration instructions](https://nolacatholic.org/employment). New organizations, or those that have never participated in #iGiveCatholic, [click here for your registration instructions](https://nolacatholic.org/employment). Questions? Please contact Callie Kamath of the Catholic Community Foundation at ckamath@ccfnola.org or 504.527.5788.

**Catholic Lens Series: Living the Gospel in a Fractured Culture**
Join us! The Catholic Community Foundation and Notre Dame Seminary are co-hosting the Fall 2020 Catholic Lens Series: Living the Gospel in a Fractured Culture. In the four-part series, speakers will explore the foundational principles that guide our Catholic mission of unity in the world and bring a message of hope and encouragement.

Archbishop Alfred Hughes will lead part two of the series, **Living the Truth in Love: Two Sides of the Same Coin**, on **Wednesday, October 7**, from 6:30 to 7:30 p.m. You may attend the series in-person or virtually. In-person events will be held at Schulte Auditorium at Notre Dame Seminary, and they will be socially-distanced with a 100 attendee maximum per event. [Please see this flyer for more details](https://nolacatholic.org/employment).

Registration is required. The registration deadline for Living the Truth in Love is by **5 p.m. on October 6**. [Click here to register for the event](https://nolacatholic.org/employment). Questions? Please contact Dr. Susie Veters at sveters@ccfnola.org or 504.596.3042.

**Employment Opportunities**

*Job opportunities are currently listed on our HR page:* [https://nolacatholic.org/employment](https://nolacatholic.org/employment)

**New this week:**

- **Communications and Special Events Coordinator, De La Salle High School, New Orleans.**

- **Grounds Keeper/Maintenance Manager, St. Cletus Church, Gretna**

  *Please refer to our Job-Link often and share with qualified referrals!*

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For any submissions or inquiries on the NolaCatholic e-Bulletin, please contact communications@arch-no.org.